

GEO 01

Name: _____ Date: _____ Class: _____



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2 Whatever happened to?

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Requirements:

Computer

Pens and green and brown paper suitable for a wall display.

Group Activity 7: Making a Tree of Life.

This is a research activity

Australia's native and plantation forests are an important natural resource. Forests provide protection for soils and water resources. Forests have the ability to absorb carbon from the atmosphere and to protect biodiversity by providing a habitat for many species.

Forests are important for people too. They provide timber for construction and paper products, and they support a range of other products such as honey, wildflowers, natural oils, firewood and craft woods. Forests are also important for their cultural and spiritual significance and as tourist attractions providing recreation and education for visitors.

Forests have been cleared for agriculture, urban growth and the development of infrastructure since European settlement began on the Australian continent.

1. Create a 'Tree of Life' to record information about the value of trees to both people and the environment. Construct the tree using the brown paper to represent the branches of the tree and the green paper for the leaves.

Your task is to collect as many facts about the importance of forests for ecosystems and for people and to summarise your findings on the brown and green paper constructed to represent a tree.

2. Write a poem or create a rap, to summarise your findings.